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REMARKS

Claims 31-32 and 34-38 are now in the application. Claim 31 has been amended to include recitations from prior claim 33 to recite that the flat plates are glass.

The objection to the specification has been overcome by the amendment to the specification.

The rejections of Claim 31 under 35 U.S.C. §102 (b) as being anticipated by a U.S. Patent 4,803,124 to Kunz or U.S. Patent 5,187,123 to Yoshida et al.; of Claim 31, 32 and 34-37 under 35 U.S.C. §102 (b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent 4,715,686 to Iwashita et al.; of Claim 38 under 35 U.S.C. §103 (a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent 4,715,686 to Iwashita et al. in view of U.S. Patent 5,808,710 to Pierson; and of claims 28 and 30 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent 4,803,124 to Kunz or U.S. Patent 5,187,123 to Yoshida et al. have been rendered moot by the above amendment to claim 31. In particular, claim 31 has been amended to include recitations from prior claim 33 which was deemed to contain allowable subject matter.

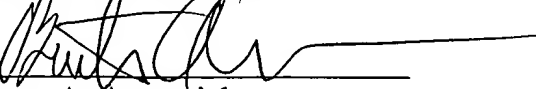
In view of the above, allowance is, therefore, respectfully solicited.

In the event the Examiner believes an interview might serve to advance the prosecution of this application in any way, the undersigned attorney is available at the telephone number noted below.

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MARKED-UP VERSION OF AMENDED CLAIMS

31. (Amended) An article for fabricating large liquid crystal displays comprising a flat cover plate and flat back plate bonded together wherein one of the plates has a smaller surface area than that of the other of the plates; and wherein the flat plates are glass;

said plates are bonded together by an adhesive located between said plates over the entire area of the smaller area surface; said adhesive being void-free and exhibiting a wave undulating profile at the edges of the smaller surface.